SUBJECT No. 174.

Extension of the Chikjajur - Chitaldrug Railway line to Rayadurga *via* Molakalmuru.

Mr. Sunkada Raghanna, Molakalmuru Taluk.

Summary of Discussion.—If the railway line from Chitaldrug is extended to Rayadurga or at least, to Challakere, public will be benefited greatly. Railway cess is being collected and the same may be utilised for running the line.

Reply of Government.—The proposed railway is necessary, but there is no money for meeting the expenditure from State Funds. The District Board may raise a loan for the purpose and Government will construct the line.

SUBJECT No. 175.

Through-booking in the Narasimharajpur-Tarikere tramway.

Messrs. H. Krishna Rao, Koppa Taluk, and H. S. Ganesha Rao, Malnad Land-holders' Association, Hosakoppa.

Summary of Discussion.—It is prayed that arrangements may be made for through-booking in the Narasimharajpur-Tarikere tramway stations, of goods and parcels intended for stations on other lines.

Reply of Government.—There is practical inconvenience. The difficulty will be removed.

SUBJECT No. 176.

Rectification of the Tarikere-Narasimharajpur tramway.

Messrs A. Venkataramaiya and Patel Shankarappa, Tarikere Taluk.

Summary of Discussion.—Great inconvenience is caused as the Tarikere-Narasimharajpur tramway is in a very bad condition. The roads too are neglected, so that it is not easy to travel by road. The Forest Department, at least, should be made to see to the repairs which are immediately needed. Ranganahalli bridge requires attention.

Reply of Government.—The line is being rectified.

SUBJECT No. 177.

(*a*) Providing sufficient accommodation in the Chikjajur Railway Station.

(*b*) Providing an alighting platform at the Birur Station.

Messrs. A. Ananthaiya, P. Venkappaiya and C. Subba Rao, Shimoga Taluk.

Summary of Representation (*a*).—Passengers that alight at Chikjajur are put to too much trouble for want of waiting room accommodation. A zinc shed may, at least, be constructed.

(*b*) Want of a proper alighting platform at Birur causes inconvenience, especially to ladies. The M. & S. M. waiting rooms will be closed and as passengers are not allowed to rest in carriages till morning, the difficulty is great. A through carriage may also be provided between Mysore and Shimoga.

Reply of Government.—(*a*) Joint stations are managed by the M. & S. M. Railway. The matter is under correspondence with that Company.

(*b*) The M. & S. M Railway authorities will be asked about the other arrangements.

LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT.

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SUBJECT No. 178.

Holding of a Local Boards Conference next year.

Mr. K. Venkatasami Iyer, Mysore District Board.

Mr. K. Venkatasami Iyer.—In the interests of the development of local self-government in the State, Government may be pleased to arrange for the holding of a Local Boards Conference early next year.

Mr. Karnick Krishna Murthi Rao.—By holding such conferences, valuable experience will be gained. Government should therefore see their way to arrange for the holding of such conferences every year.